

Hi Everybody,



Wishing all of our members a very Happy New Year and hoping that you had an enjoyable Christmas. It has certainly been a very entertaining and, dare I say it, exciting time down at the Club since the last blog after the Pram Race. We have now had the Bar being open on Bank Holiday Tuesday 27th, Wednesday and Friday as normal, New Year's Eve Saturday, Sunday 1st and today's Bank Holiday Monday! Blimey, I'm worn out just thinking about it – never mind the amount of alcohol that has been consumed!

If you weren't able to join us for our New Year's Eve celebrations - the all inclusive food, drink and entertainment ticket, do have a look at the photos and read what we got up to as it was a fantastic event and something that we will do again next year as it was so popular and enjoyable. A big thank you goes out to Sue our RC Social & Fundraising and to Natalie, whose idea it was to sell tickets for the evening, and who used her experience to guide the successful arrangements. I think we can now safely say that this is what the Club is now showing our members that we can all work together as a team to improve what we can offer in all aspects! Just love it!

Before the music and the food.....



An all inclusive evening for everybody!

And then.....we were treated to the fabulous Sarah Woods! What a singer!!!!
Stunning!



And the final selling point had to have been the food! Well done to Sue as it was delicious, unusual – and more than plentiful. Did you try the mini roast beef yorkshire puddings? Wow! Who thought of that?



Sailing Events & Angling

From George, he isn't aware if any angling took place over the Christmas period. The first beach match is on Sunday the 8th January with a 9.30am start until 2pm and he is hopeful that, subject to the weather conditions, a good turnout by PYC anglers will try and catch their first fish of many in 2023.

A really interesting catch for those of you who aren't fishermen like myself, he has been informed that a Haddock was caught from the beach at Aldwick in the last few days - something he has never heard of been caught off our local beaches. I love stuff like this as, coming from West Yorkshire, that is my fish! Much better than Cod.....

Future Beach Competitions:

2023

8th January 09:30 till 14:00

22nd January 09:00 till 13:30

sailing@paghamyachtclub.com angling@paghamyachtclub.com

Ladies of PYC

Really sorry that due to several issues, including this flipping bug that has been going around, the Ladies Take Away night get-together last Wednesday wasn't able to take place. Never mind, we Ladies are not faint hearted and where a good time is spotted, then new arrangements will be made and advertised.

Christmas Card Competition

Now that we are on the verge of taking our Christmas decorations down, we noticed that there were still many cards addressed to members that have not been collected from the Club due to either this hateful bug, or to the closure of Church Farm for the winter months. Two good ideas relating to this have been suggested which we shall be working on well before next November.

The first one is something we do now which isn't well used or advertised and perhaps what we need to do, is to make a better-defined space for where you can post just one card addressed to however many other members that you know. It was suggested that if we buy, or find a suitable display board, then we ask for a donation to RNLI or another of the aid organisations that we support. This would allow you to buy one large card and pay, for example, £1 plus for it's display. Save money – save the environment! (.....and lives if you give to the RNLI !!!)

The other idea that was suggested was for entries to a Calendar 2024 competition. Perhaps a photo or a drawing and maybe with an accompanying joke if you find you have a good one that we would enjoy taking the mickey out of the subject? Bear this in mind from now on as we will put the full details out during the summer so you will have time to plan ahead.

Family Affairs

Probably not the best title in the world if you were hoping for some gossip, but there have been lots of events or matters happening recently that have had a big effect on some members of our Club that we may not be aware of. Because of this, and on a trial basis, I will be reporting back any news that you wish to share – weddings, births, children who pass exams or boat qualifications and, almost inevitably, those deaths that affect us all.

Sadly, it has not be a good time to see a lot of two of our committee members, Paul and Mark Cooper as their mother Patricia passed away peacefully last week. Always a difficult time but can be very challenging to deal with when everybody else is celebrating. Their sisters are staying with them at the moment so you may see unfamiliar faces who may need our thoughtfulness.

The good news, if you haven't already heard, is that Pete W has finally proposed to Carole K and not surprisingly she has accepted. He had to take her to some exotic island and have romantic images drawn in the sand and other stuff I didn't want to hear. I've seen the ring – never mind the bloke, it is gorgeous. Hey ho, I'm not jealous.....much.

Do let me know if you have any news that you would like to share – especially with any photographs as we are a family Club and we want to encourage our Youth Section back to those heady heights now that we have a Youth Officer with plenty of ideas! It's a great word to use in sailing – support!

1st January 2023



A very busy afternoon with lots of members who couldn't make New Year's Eveand lots and lots and lots of food that we didn't get around to! Burp!



Future Events

January

Saturday 21st High Tide Band 8pm start

Sunday 22nd Roast dinner – more details to follow. The price with the numbers list will be going up the end of this week on a first come basis

Saturday 28th Burns Night. A two-course meal, tot of whiskey, £10 pp. Limited number c.40. The list will go up at the end of this week with money to accompany names, cash payment only. Payment to the safe behind the Bar when putting your name down please or it will be discounted.

The other news is that the Raffle starts again this week so, do make sure you have your cash ready on Sunday to see what you are having for your evening meal!

And finally.....a joke that I couldn't help but repeat.....



I went to the doctors the other day and he told me that my Sugar was too high.
So, I went home, and moved it to a lower shelf.
Boom, boom!!!

Jill

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